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FM AMEMBASSY NICOSIA

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AMEMBASSY THE NAGUE

C O N F I D E N T I A L NICOSIA 2381

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OGEN CY XF

SUBJECT: KLM HIJACKING

REF: NICOSIA 2380

1. AIRPORT AUTHORITIES INFORM US THAT FONMIN DIRGEN VENIAMIN IS IN CONTROL TOWER TALKING WITH HIJACKERS.

2. VENIAMIN HAS TOLD US PRIVATELY THAT HE PERSONALLY ADVOCATED RELEASING HIJACKERS TO ARABS AFTER FIRST TRIAL. AS OF LAST INFO WE HAVE HE HAD NOT PERSUADED ARCHBISHOP. WE GATHER HOWEVER THAT ARCHBISHOP IN RESPONSE PRESSURE FROM QADHAFI HAD GIVEN SOME INDICATION WILLINGNESS TO RELEASE IN A FEW MONTHS. ON THIS BASIS, WE ASSUME GOCYPRUS WILL BE WILLING TO DEAL.

3. VENIAMIN WELL AWARE USG FEELINGS ON MATTER.

4. HIJACKERS HAVE THREATENED TO BLOW UP PLANE IF ANYBODY APPROACHES IT, OTHER THAN FUEL TRUCK.

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5. FOR THE HAGUE AND BEIRUT. PLEASE FLASH US IF YOU LEARN ANY

AMERICANS MANIFESTED.

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